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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN PRESIDENT FERNANDEZ REQUESTS MEETING
WITH THE SECRETARY

REF: E-MAILS WITH WHA/CAR

1. On August MFA Deputy Minister Alejandra Liriano asked the DCM to convey a request that the Secretary agree to receive President Leonel Fernandez during his visit September 12-13 to Washington and New York. Fernandez will be in Washington on September 12 for a 5 pm event arranged by the Inter-American Dialogue and a dinner hosted by the Dominican ambassador. Fernandez travels to New York on September 13.

2. Liriano said that if such a meeting is not possible, Foreign Minister Morales Troncoso would like to meet the Secretary. Morales Troncoso expects to be in New York on

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September 13 but the days before and after have not yet been set.

3. Our perception is that Dominican ambassador in Washington Flavio Dario Espinal is the principal point of contact for this request.

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